

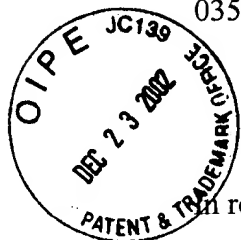
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of those documents are also enclosed, together with a copy of a European Search Report, dated November 23, 2002, citing them. The remaining documents cited in this European Search Report were listed in and copies submitted with our Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on April 3, 2001.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

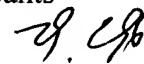
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